

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:)	
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Allen et al.)	
)	Group Art Unit: TBA
Serial No.: TBA (Continuation of 10/224,719))	
)	Examiner: TBA
Filed: Herewith)	
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For: INTERFACE BETWEEN A PIECE OF)	
BAGGAGE AND A COLLECTOR)	


PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please delete claims 1-22 and add new claims 23-74 as set forth in Appendix A. Also, please replace original pages 1 and 9 and with substitute pages 1 and 9 attached hereto. Original page 1 has been amended by replacing the word "Preconcentrator" with the word "Collector" in the Title. The paragraph under the caption "Cross Reference to Related Applications" on original page 1 has also been amended to indicate the serial number for the parent application, as well as the related application filed contemporaneously with the parent application. Original page 9 has been amended by replacing the reference numeral for the locking ring of the slider from 504 to 508.

Respectfully submitted,

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